

## **Minutes of the Mt. Vernon – Black Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

The Mt. Vernon – Black Township Parks and Recreation Department Board held its' monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006, at the Mt. Vernon Park and Recreation Office at 4:00 p.m. Attending the meeting was: Park Board President – Ron Bennett, Members – Kay Cox, Synda Waters, John Robb and \*Linc Baro John Tate and Park Board Secretary- Debra Scott.

\*The Park Board was pleased to welcome back Linc Baro. Linc will be replacing Steve Buchanan .

The motion to authorize payment of claims was made by John Robb and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the minutes as written or corrected from the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006, meeting was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Kay Cox. Motion carried.

The motion to approve the balance of accounts to be entered into the minutes subject to audit for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007, was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Kay Cox. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Girls Rural Softball- Lights- Mr. Tate stated he e-mailed the Girls Rural Softball Association before Christmas, as of meeting time, Mr. Tate stated he has not been contacted by the association. Mr. Ron Bennett asked if the poles for the lights had been delivered, Mr. Tate stated no poles have been delivered. The issue of the softball lights has been tabled until further notice from the Girls Rural Softball Association.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Year end Report- Mr. Tate handed the Board each a copy of the Year end report. Mr. Tate stated this report is a yearly requirement for City Council.  
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2. Tree work at parks- Mr. Tate handed the Board a quote from Schenk and Son's. The quote was for the removal of a pecan tree located at the senior citizen center at Kiwanis Park. Also a sycamore tree located at the riverfront needs to be thinned out. The quote totaled \$1,850.00 which Mr. Tate stated would come from line #360. Mrs. Kay Cox asked Mr. Tate if the pecan tree is rotten, Mr. Tate stated a lot of the tree is dead. The Board all agreed to let Mr. Schenk go ahead and start work on the trees.
3. Purchase of new mowers- Mr. Tate handed the board several different quotes he had received on the purchase of two zero turn mowers. The department will be trading in two existing mowers. Mr. Tate stated Stone & Stemle gave \$1,000.00

more on the trade-ins than JL Equipment did. Stone and Stemle's purchase price after the trade would be \$7,458.40 which will come out of line #442. After a brief discussion, Linc Baro made the motion to purchase the two mowers from Stone and Stemle, Synda Waters seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Youth Football- Mr. Tate stated he had received a call from Tim Van Zant the Cub Football commissioner. Mr. Van Zant stated he was no longer going to do the football program and no one was interested in taking over the program. Mr. Van Zant asked Mr. Tate if the Parks Department would be interested in taking over the cub football program and combining the two football programs. Mr. Tate stated that the organization would give the Parks Department their equipment and any Funds they had received. The Board asked if the Park & Rec. would be able to take over this program. Mr. Tate stated the department can handle the extra work, and he will be meeting with Mr. Van Zant soon to further discuss the issue.
5. Special non-reverting capital fund- Mr. Tate passed out some information on different types of funds that he would like to get started with so the park can accumulate funds for future purchases. Mr. Ron Bennett stated it is pretty involved to get accumulative funds started. After a lengthy discussion, everyone agreed the department should get this non-reverting capital fund started.
6. Soccer Concessions- Mr. Tate asked the Board for the approval of an outside organization like Young Life to sell concessions at the soccer games, if the Brittlebank Barracudas swim team is not interested. Mr. Tate stated he feels like someone is missing the opportunity to make some money while offering a service to the soccer families. The Board agreed if the Brittlebank Barracudas do not want to sell concessions then another outside organization may begin selling concession at the Mt. Vernon soccer fields. Mr. Tate stated the outside organization would donate 15% of their net profit back into the Park and Recreation Departments soccer program.

Motion was made to adjourn by Linc Baro and seconded by Kay Cox.

Motion Carried.

## **Meeting Adjourned**

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John Tate, Superintendent

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Ron Bennett, Board President

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, February 22nd, 2007, at the Cox Group Building.